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Application of: Huang et al.

Examiner: Baker, Maurie
Garcia

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Dendrimer-Treated Microassays

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Response to Restriction Requirement

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 24, 2002, Applicants elect **Group I, Claims 1-14** for prosecution on the merits, with traverse.

The Examiner asserts that Applicants must elect a species for each of a solid surface; a silane containing moiety; a dendrimer polyamine compound; and a substance comprising a hydroxyl group or amine group. Applicants elect the following species.

Solid Surface: Applicants elect a **glass slide**.

Silane containing moiety: Applicants elect **aminopropyl trimethoxysilane**

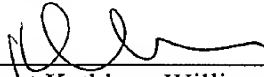
Dendrimer polyamine compound: Applicants elect **polypropylenimine hexadecaamine dendrimer**.

Substance comprising a hydroxyl group or amine group: Applicants elect **DNA**.

Applicants are filing herewith an Petition for an extention of time and sufficient payment to extend the period for reply up to an including March 24, 2002. Should any additional fees be required to ensure consideration of this response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 16-0085, Reference No. 25436/1642.

Date: March 13, 2003

Respectfully submitted,



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified patent application, please find the following documents:

1. Response to Office Action mailed September 24, 2002;
2. Petition for Four Month Extension of Time
3. Check in the amount of \$725.00 for the requisite fee; and
4. Return Post Card.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in the total fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 25436/1642.

A duplicate of this transmittal letter is enclosed for this purpose.

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